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▶ Mehran Agha Bermah, who runs a hotdog cart behind Old City Hall, presents a frank. Bermah doesn't think selling healthy food on the street will be a hit with pedestrian customers.

What more do you want?

▶ City has been promising wider variety of street food since provincial laws changed in 2007 ▶ But concerns about food safety, nutrition and keeping out conglomerates has hobbled process

Call it once burned and twice shy.

Hotdog vendors in the downtown core are puzzled, frustrated and downright skeptical to hear that Toronto is once again poised to end restrictions on what operators can offer their customers.

Coun. Cesar Palacio, chair of the committee that regulates food-cart operators, pledged last week to change the existing regulations to make it easier for vendors to expand their menus.

Asked for their reactions to the proposed changes, vendors' objections ranged from skepticism about the demand for healthy options to frustration over red tape, expenses and the city's failed a la Cart program.

"We have discussed this so many times and we've told them it's not going to work the way they want to do it," said Sophia Alexopoulos, who has a hotdog stand at Queen and Yonge streets.

"It's just wrong. Who wants to stand in the cold weather eating healthy food? This is street meat."
MEHRAN AGHA BERMAH, HOTDOG VENDOR

In 2009, eight new vendors were finally cleared to sell Greek, Korean, Thai, Caribbean and Indian food at specific locations through a la Cart. But only a handful are still operating, and they are deep in debt after shelling out as much as $30,000 for city-approved carts and thousands more in annual licensing fees.

In a separate pilot project, hotdog vendors were told that — for an extra $1,000 fee — they could sell extra items such as prepackaged fruit, nuts or soup. But not a single one of Toronto's 200 vendors signed on.

"There are so many ways we could do it safely," Alexopoulos said, adding she could easily sell souvlaki on a bun or a stick, or chicken breast. "But they don't want to let us do this. Let the vendors find their own carts and decide what they want to sell. I've been working for 30 years. I know what I'm doing."

A hotdog vendor near Union Station who asked that his name not be published, rattled off the list of expenses he faces: Licences and permits that cost thousands of dollars each year; insurance; and propane. He and his wife work long hours each day but hiring an assistant would cost too much, he said.

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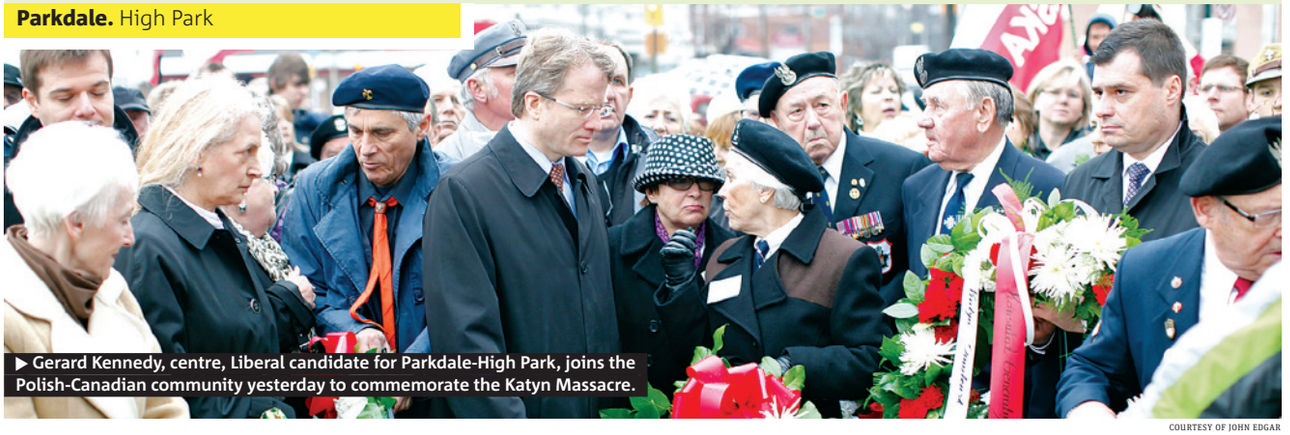

▶ Gerard Kennedy, centre, Liberal candidate for Parkdale-High Park, joins the Polish-Canadian community yesterday to commemorate the Katyn Massacre.

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Kennedy joins local Poles in remembering Katyn Massacre

The Katyn Massacre is commemorated every April by the Polish-Canadian community in Parkdale-High Park to bring recognition to the victims and families destroyed when 23,000 Polish military and civilian leaders were slaughtered in the Katyn forest (and other locations), and subsequently buried in mass graves by the Russian army on the orders of Joseph Stalin. The weekend was also a time to mourn the one-year anniversary of the deaths of Polish President Lech Kaczynski, his wife, and more than 90 members of Poland's civilian and military leadership in a plane crash.

Lagging NDP aims for mass appeal

Platform focuses on immediate commitments like hiring more doctors and nurses, doubling public pensions, and removing sales taxes from home heating and other consumer measures

Election 2011

The NDP is offering a $9-billion election platform it hopes will appeal to a broader sector of Canadians as it struggles against the Liberals and Conservatives to define its policies and priorities.

"We are relentlessly optimistic about the future … We don't give up," NDP Leader Jack Layton said yesterday in Toronto after releasing the "grab bag" platform aimed at expanding the NDP base at a time when the party is sliding in the polls.

He said no matter the outcome May 2, the platform will be a blueprint for the party.

From health-care improvements to bringing Canadian soldiers home from Afghanistan, the plan provides a little bit for everybody while balancing the budget by 2014-15.

The substantial revenue predicted in the platform comes largely at the expense of big businesses.

It includes rolling back the corporate tax rate, going after more than $16 billion from Canadian corporations using offshore accounts to avoid paying taxes, stopping $2 billion in subsidies to oil companies, and taxing polluters to a tune of $1.2 billion over four years to reinvest in green initiatives, including transit. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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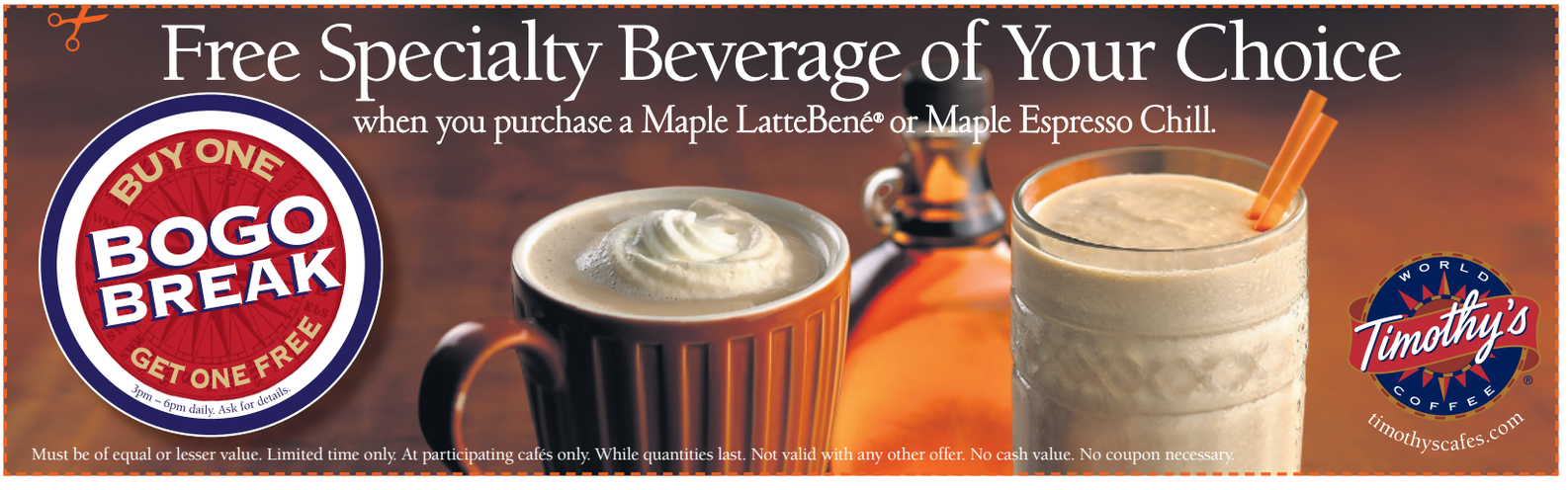

Foreigners fight to fund campaigns

Two Canadians living in N.Y.C. launch constitutional challenge against an 'alien gag law'

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▶Yaakov Roth

Twenty-six-year-old Canadian whiz kid Yaakov Roth, who studied at Harvard Law School and is originally from Toronto, is fighting an American law that prohibits foreigners living there from contributing to political campaigns.

Benjamin Bluman, 26, a progressive lawyer from Vancouver, wants to make financial contributions to three political campaigns. Asenath Steiman, 26, from Toronto, would like to support Barack Obama's Republican opponent.

The U.S. federal statute in question not only bans non-permanent residents from making contributions to political campaigns, but also from spending money independently in support of parties or candidates.

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NDP trying to win back Oshawa riding

Incumbent's success reflects transition to residential community

Election 2011

Seven years ago, the NDP in Oshawa tapped well-known labour leader Sid Ryan to try to win back what was once a party fortress.

They believed Ryan — a star candidate, at least among workers — could restore the riding held by former NDP leader Ed Broadbent for more than 20 years.

Ryan got close — within 500 votes — but, ultimately, fell to a chiropractor and political rookie named Colin Carrie, who has since won Oshawa for the Conservatives by wider and wider margins.

The riding is divided into two political solitudes: The southern half, home to the GM plant, is traditionally loyal to the NDP; while higher-income neighbourhoods in the east and north parts of the riding typically vote Conservative.

Despite the lack of success with labour-endorsed candidates in recent elections, the NDP is once again pinning hopes on Oshawa's deep-seeded autoworker roots, passing the torch to CAW Local 222 president Chris Buckley.

A born-and-bred Oshawan hired in 1983 to work for GM, Buckley takes a very different position than Carrie on the future of the auto industry in the city.

"This city was built on a strong auto industry, a strong manufacturing base," he says, adding that without GM Oshawa would be a "ghost town."

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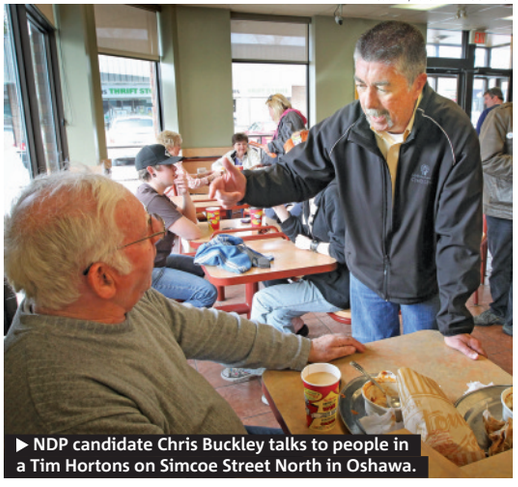

▶ NDP candidate Chris Buckley talks to people in a Tim Hortons on Simcoe Street North in Oshawa.

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Roncy faces one more torn-up spring

On Roncesvalles, it's not only the gas line that has caused a problem, but contractors not finishing the job

Winter has reluctantly given way to spring, but on Roncesvalles, there's only one season — construction.

After two years of traffic tie-ups due to TTC track and water main replacement, heavy equipment is once again tearing up the street, this time because a private contractor discovered the new streetcar tracks were too close to a gas line.

The mistake was discovered last fall by a contractor who was laying a concrete base for the TTC tracks and work was stopped on Roncesvalles south of Howard Park Avenue

Rough ride

- **July 2009** Sewer and water main replacement from Queen Street north to Dundas Street begins.
- **May 2010** Work is completed.
- **July 2010** Private contractor removes old rails and builds concrete base for new tracks. Work begins on widening and replacing old sidewalks.

Enbridge investigated, but cold weather moved in by the time the company submitted its report to the city and moving the gas pipeline had to wait until now. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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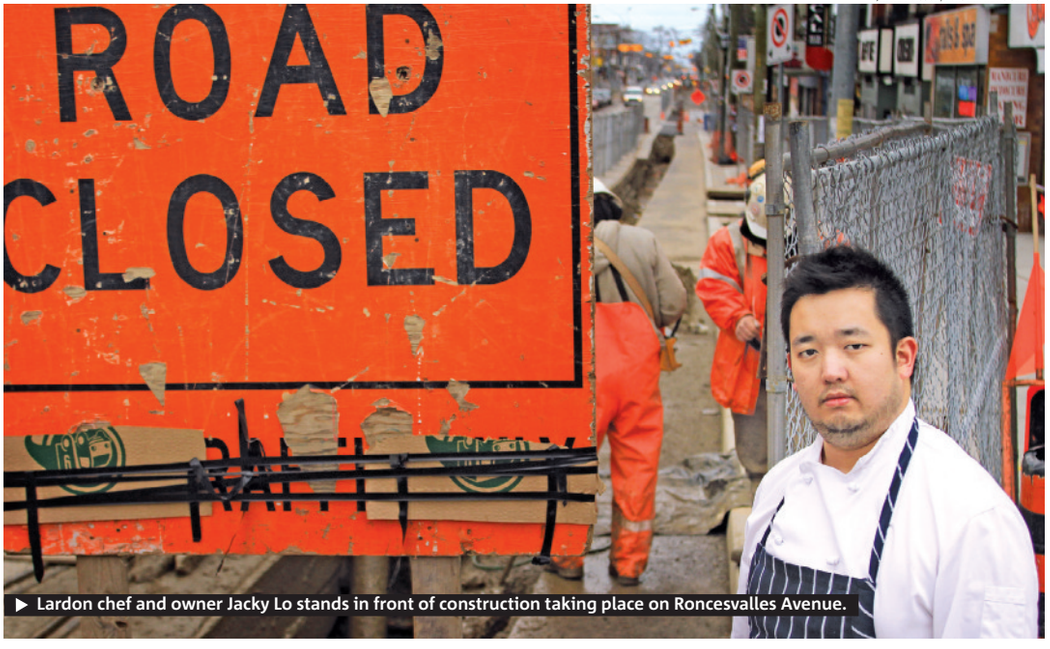

Lardon chef and owner Jacky Lo stands in front of construction taking place on Roncesvalles Avenue.

Status revoked for charity with projects in the West Bank

A Mississauga-based charity that runs projects in Palestinian territories is no longer allowed to give out tax receipts following a decision from the Canada Revenue Agency.

The agency announced its decision to revoke the licence of the International Relief Fund for the Afflicted and Needy Canada (IRFAN-Canada) in the government publication Canada Gazette.

The group had already received a one-year suspension in April 2010 for failing to keep proper records.

The decision follows several years of tax audits and litigation prompted by politicians' claims the charity has links to Hamas, a terrorist group.

In 2004, Stockwell Day, at the time an opposition MP, alleged in Parliament the group had ties to Hamas. He asked the Liberal government to investigate.

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Stockwell Day

Day referenced a Privy Council report sent to Prime Minister Jean Chrétien in 2000 that listed four Canadian groups with possible links to terrorism, one of which was the Povrel Jerusalem Fund for Human Services.

Organization officials are also concerned about the completion of a girls' school being built in Battir, a West Bank village, said Nasser Syed, a lawyer for IRFAN. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

IRFAN Canada

- **Ownership** Political action groups, including the Canadian Coalition for Democracies, claim the Povrel Jerusalem Fund, which is no longer operating, was taken over by IRFAN.
- **Ties** IRFAN denies having any ties to Hamas.

Watch out for peeping Tom: Cops

Toronto police are warning residents of a central Toronto neighbourhood to watch out for a possible peeping Tom.

Police say a man was spotted looking or reaching into the window of a ground-floor apartment near Bathurst Street and St. Clair Avenue West Friday night.

They say he may have been taking photos.

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Ontario to spend $900K on victims of crime

Ontario is boosting services meant to help victims of crime and their families navigate the justice system.

The province announced yesterday it will spend $900,000 over three years to provide victims with financial and court support.

The fund will help cover travel costs to attend court appearances, arrange language interpretation during trial and assist victims with disabilities.

Ontario Attorney General Chris Bentley says he hopes the program will alleviate some of the stress experienced by victims of crime and their families.

The program will be financed by the province's Victims' Justice Fund, which collects a surcharge applied to all criminal fines except parking violations.

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Parenting dreams on hold

Couple who ran adoption agency charged with defrauding prospective parents of more than $420,000

When Ingrid Phaneuf applied to adopt a baby girl from Ethiopia, she went through a lengthy and intrusive government assessment, including a financial review and an Interpol check. With the former operators of the Cambridge adoption agency she hired now charged with fraud and breach of trust, Phaneuf wonders why those selling adoption services in Ontario aren't subjected to the same kind of rigorous examination.

She and her husband, Edward Barth, paid $15,000 to the Imagine Adoption agency, but the business filed for bankruptcy protection in 2009 before their adoption was completed.

The couple behind the agency, Susan and Rick Hayhow, were charged Friday by Waterloo Regional Police and the RCMP with multiple counts of fraud and breach of trust for allegedly squandering adoption fees on home renovations, cosmetic dentistry and trips to New York.

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▶ Ingrid Phaneuf, whose dream of adopting an Ethiopian child was ruined in the aftermath of the Imagine Adoption agency swindle, volunteers at a parent resource table at an "adoption resource exchange."

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Inefficiencies to offset cuts: PM

Harper promises $200 million to farmers Will keep sheltering food producers from international competition

Election 2011

Stephen Harper promised yesterday that a re-elected Conservative government would slash billions in federal spending without making it hurt.

The prime minister still couldn't give concrete examples, however, of where he would find the $4-billion-a-year in budget cuts, while his opponents continued accusing him of harbouring a hidden program-slashing agenda.

Harper insisted the cuts wouldn't target major programs.

"Anybody who says you can't find money in Ottawa without cutting vital services to people simply is living in a fantasy world," he said after an event on a dairy farm in Acton Vale, Que.

"That's not how government works. There are inefficiencies and it is your job to constantly find them."

"So these monies are there, if you're very targeted and, obviously, you don't hit the major programs that people expect," Harper said.

The vague examples given of potential future savings include cutting administrative costs to programs and consolidating government computer systems. The Tories also believe they can save money by cutting jobs, through attrition, in the civil service.

Harper made the announcement on the final day of an eight-day tour of Ontario and Quebec.

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Milking services

- The Tories have committed to eliminating the deficit by 2014-2015, a year earlier than their original target.
- That will require progressively deep budget cuts, culminating in an eventual $4-billion annual reduction, from a review of government operations.
- The Tories' recent budget only referenced $1.6 billion expected to flow from savings found during a program review. None of those cuts have been explained in detail, either.
- But Harper said it proved there is fat to trim.

▶ Prime Minister Stephen Harper and his wife, Laureen, look at a cow yesterday at a dairy farm owned by the Chagnon family in Acton Vale, Que.

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Feds' HIV project fizzled: Report

A $139-million project to fight HIV-AIDS, launched by Prime Minister Stephen Harper in a glitzy photo-op with Microsoft's Bill Gates, began to founder within months, says an internal report.

Red tape and turf wars choked off the flow of money, and a vaunted plan to build a vaccine plant in Canada was effectively sidelined within a year, suggests the newly released analysis.

"Very significant delays ... have put into question the extent to which the initiative can achieve the expected results within the remaining time frame," says the report, completed last August for the Public Health Agency of Canada.

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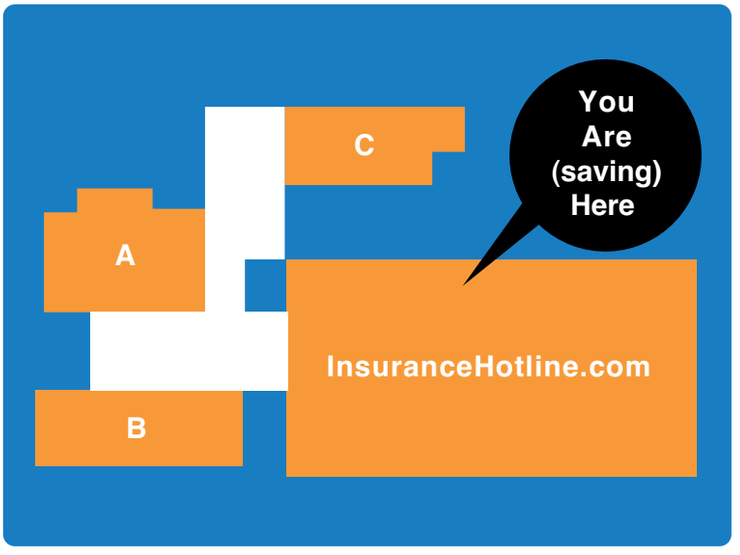

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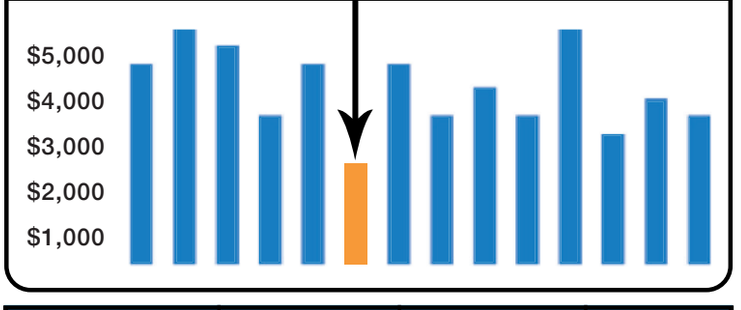

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▶ Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi waves yesterday in Tripoli, Libya, prior to a meeting with African leaders to discuss a ceasefire.

Mapping out ceasefire

African leaders to talk with rebels next after meeting with Gadhafi

A delegation of African leaders said yesterday their Libyan counterpart, Moammar Gadhafi, accepted their "road map" for a ceasefire with rebels, whom they will meet today. They met hours after NATO air strikes battered Gadhafi's tanks, helping Libyan rebels push back government troops who had been advancing quickly toward the opposition's eastern stronghold.

The terms of the African Union's road map were unclear — such as whether it would require Gadhafi to pull his troops out of cities as rebels have demanded.

"We have completed our mission with the brother leader, and the brother leader's delegation has accepted the road map as presented by us," said South African President Jacob Zuma. He travelled to Tripoli with the heads of Mali and Mauritania to meet with Gadhafi, whose more than 40-year rule has been threatened by the uprising that began nearly two months ago.

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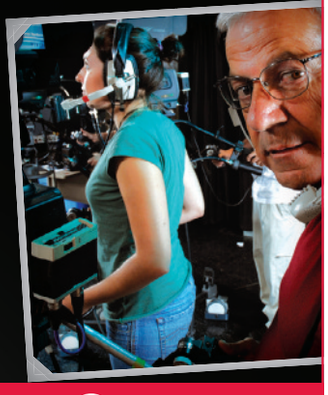

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Transgendered teacher rejects muzzle offer

Fired by Catholic school board, Alberta educator files human rights complaint He refused $78,000

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Jan Buterman

A transgendered teacher fired by a Catholic school district is rejecting a settlement offer because it would require him to keep quiet and drop a human rights complaint.

Jan Buterman says he will proceed with his complaint against Greater St. Albert Catholic Schools, which wrote him a letter in 2008 praising his abilities but dismissing him for not being aligned with the values of the Catholic church.

Buterman, who was a substitute teacher in St. Albert, just north of Edmonton, says the publicly funded school district can't buy his silence with an offer of $78,000 cash or a one-year teaching job.

"I don't want to be muzzled," says Buterman, who has worked as a teacher elsewhere since he was fired. "They don't want me to talk about the fact that they, as an employer, claiming authority from the Catholic Church, have discriminated against me because of my medical status as a transsexual person."

Buterman says he expects the school board will ask the Alberta Human Rights Commission to dismiss his complaint, which has a legal right to do so if a "fair and reasonable settlement" is offered.

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The high costs of the high loonie

- Manufacturers, retailers, exporters hardest hit
- Economists predict dollar could rise to $1.09 US

As the loonie flies higher above parity with the U.S. greenback, many Canadian companies are feeling the pinch.

Some manufacturers say they are being charged an extra three to four per cent by Canadian branches of American suppliers if they pay in U.S. dollars, says Craig McIntosh, CEO of Acrylon Plastics in Winnipeg. As a result, they are moving away from Canadian suppliers and buying directly from the United States.

Another impact of the higher loonie is that more Canadians are spending their money south of the border where prices are lower. Anne Kothawala of the Retail Council of Canada notes that Canadian stores have to deal with high import taxes, and cross-border shopping takes money out of local communities.

"Any time the dollar goes up there's always the potential for job losses when companies are forced to find efficiencies."
JEFF BROWNLEE, CANADIAN MANUFACTURERS AND EXPORTERS

One sector that is making more money thanks to the high loonie is the travel industry, where Canadians now get a favourable exchange rate.

But the dollar's impact on exporters may have one of the biggest effects on Canada's economy and jobs. Jeff Brownlee of Canadian Manufacturers and Exporters says CME's research has shown that for every one cent rise in the loonie relative to the greenback, it costs Canadian companies $1.5 billion more to do business globally each year.

As the loonie rises, Canadian products become more expensive to sell abroad, making it harder for companies to compete with manufacturers in countries with weaker currencies. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Icelanders say no to repayment

Voters in Iceland rejected a government-backed deal to repay British and Dutch citizens for $5 billion worth of deposits in failed online bank Icesave, referendum results showed yesterday. The dispute will now go to an international court. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Companies use pension funds as plums: Study

Accounting firm commissioned report to help feds understand why Canadian firms set up expensive plans

Competitive labour markets have kept many Canadian employers in the troubled pension-plan game, says a new study for the federal government.

"The main factor that prompted organizations to consider implementing a retirement plan was to remain competitive in the labour market, with a view to attracting and retaining employees," says the analysis for Human Resources and Skills Development Canada.

"For some organizations, plans were viewed as an industry standard that was required to remain competitive, while for others it was a means of being a market leader and differentiating their organization."

The Canadian Press obtained a copy of the $44,500 study through the Access to Information Act.

Statistics Canada figures indicate only about one-quarter of private-sector employees in Canada have workplace pension plans.

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Methodology

Deloitte & Touche LLP carried out case studies at 13 firms across the country to learn why management had decided to create some form of workers' pension plan.

- The selection included union and non-union workplaces, companies ranging from less than 100 employees to more than 500, and a variety of industrial sectors.

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MEANDERING THROUGH AN URBAN OASIS

There is an important difference between a labyrinth and a maze.

While a maze is a network of paths created to confuse, a labyrinth has but one road to travel, no dead ends along the way. The true believers say it's an ancient symbol of pilgrimage, representing our long, meandering journey through life. Tracing its path, they claim, inspires a unique form of serenity now.

Toronto's own installation lies in a quiet courtyard just east of Bay Street, tucked discreetly behind the Eaton Centre in Trinity Square Park. Its silence so unimposing you just might miss it if you didn't know it was there.

But there it has stood since Sept. 14, 2005, when the committed efforts of a group of local believers finally came to fruition.

Of course, the Toronto Public Labyrinth is a far cry from the classic structures of yesteryear. Its barriers are imagined, stretches of unobtrusive stone embedded in a circuitous design rather than King Minos' elaborate fortification at Knossos in ancient Greece (but he, after all, had a Minotaur on his hands).

Today, committing to the journey involves a certain suspension of disbelief.

When I heard about the labyrinth, flashes of Harry Potter's final challenge in The Goblet Of Fire's Triwizard Cup leapt to mind. I expected to reach for my wand and chase after glory in Hogwart's enchanted backyard.

But here there were no bewitched wizards to disarm or a deadly confrontation with He-Who-Must-Not-Be-Named at my journey's end.

Yet a feeling of calm did settle in as I passed slowly along the labyrinth's path, the sense that I had found an urban oasis in Toronto's otherwise frenetic downtown core.

The stroll took much longer than I expected, a good 20 minutes to walk beginning to end and back again, and life did seem to slow down, if for only a moment.

I noticed other city dwellers also taking refuge in the courtyard, reading a novel on the stone benches across the terrace or sipping coffees as they soaked in the last rays of the late afternoon sun.

Battling the world's darkest wizard, I guess, will have to wait.

Contact Andrew Wallace at urbancompass@metronews.ca

Worth mentioning

MOSCOW. The Kremlin has rejected a proposal by a senior official of Russia's main domestic security agency who said authorities should ban Skype, Gmail and Hotmail because they are a major threat to national security.

The proposal made Friday by a senior official of the Federal Security Service, or FSB, followed cyber attacks on Russia's most popular blogging site and the website of a popular independent newspaper last week.

Commentators saw them as an attempt by authorities to tighten controls on communications before parliamentary elections in December and a presidential vote in March. The Internet has become the main source of independent news and commentary in Russia, where all nationwide television stations and most print media are under state control.

Communications Minister Igor Shchegolev said in a statement Friday that his ministry has no plans to ban any Internet services.

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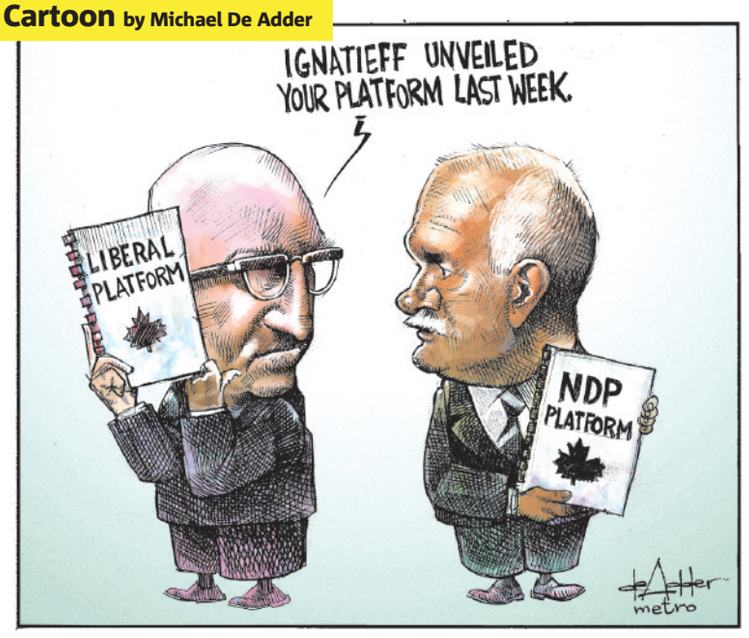

WEIRD NEWS

Keep the chatter to sutures, organs

As the NHL playoffs approach, B.C. surgeons are being reminded to tone down on the hockey chit-chat when working on patients on the operating table.

The College of Physicians and Surgeons of B.C. issued the advisory in a quarterly report in December following a complaint from a patient, CBC News reports.

The man was undergoing an elective eye surgery with a local anesthetic.

"He alleged that during the entire surgery, the physicians and nursing staff discussed ice hockey, which made him very uncomfortable," the advisory reads. "He expressed concern that this 'idle chatter' could have disrupted his surgeon's concentration and resulted in an operative mistake."

There were no errors during the surgery, but the college said the incident serves as a good reminder for surgeons to be discrete while in the operating room or in any open area when chatting about non-medical subjects or about topics not relevant to the task at hand.

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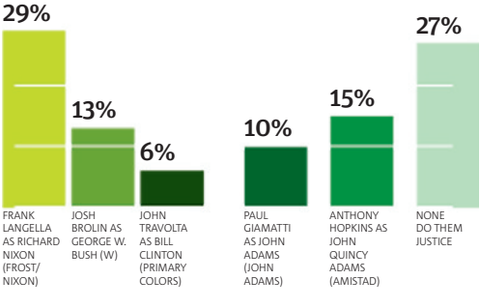

Local tweets

- **@161standchilla:** Toronto weather and rodent update: thunder booming, chinchilla hooting.
- **@j488:** Free car wash!! Nothing but rain in the forcast here in #Toronto there is some thunder in the air so some free entertainment as well!!
- **@kathodgson:** Yes! We're in the middle of a good, soak-you-to-the-bone rain storm. Thunder and everything. Ontario ... how I've missed you. #yyz
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- **@davidmanly:** Today's weather in Toronto is brought to you by the planet Thundrea: "Thunder! Thunder! Thunder!"
- **@marissatiel:** @jackjohnson is the perfect soundtrack for a stormy Sunday in Toronto #yyz #chill
- **@johnnyjet:** It's thundering in #Toronto = Woo hoo! It makes for a perfect lazy Sunday #YYZ #Weather

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The knives come out on Top Chef Canada

Successful American cooking show comes north of the border for the first time ◆ Six Torontonians compete for the crown of Top Chef Canada

The team behind Top Chef Canada stuck to a simple recipe when cooking up the inaugural Cancon version of the popular Emmy-winning TV franchise.

They focused on using the best chefs from across the country, and added a dash of Canadiana in the cooking challenges.

Top Chef Canada, which premieres tonight on Food Network Canada, isn't a reinvention of the cooking reality show and will feel familiar to fans who have followed the nine seasons of Top Chef, plus its slew of spinoffs. After all, a good chef knows to keep it simple and not overcomplicate a dish just to show off, said head judge Mark McEwan, known for the TV series The Heat with Mark McEwan and his high-end Toronto restaurants Bymark, Fabbrica, North 44 and ONE.

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▶ The team behind Top Chef Canada stuck to a simple recipe in cooking up the inaugural Cancon version of the popular Emmy-winning TV franchise.

"There's a great Canadian sensibility to (the show)," said McEwan, hinting that chefs were tasked with preparing regional specialities such as moose and salted cod during some challenges.

"It's the fact that it's our chefs, I think that's what makes it special, it relates to all the major cities around the country and everyone will be into that. There was a major competition going on here between East Coast and West Coast – huge, huge, huge – there always has been in Canada.

"That (rivalry) to me was the best part."

The competition got heated and intense, McEwan said, with an impressive cast of chefs who have worked for the likes of Gordon Ramsay, Susur Lee and Oprah Winfrey.

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Locals compete

There are 16 chefs compete to be the winner of Top Chef Canada. Toronto has six competitors.

- Dustin Gallagher
- Steve Gonzalez
- Chris Kanka
- Andrea Nicholson
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2 scene

Scene in brief

Hop remains the top movie with US$21.7 million. Arthur was a distant second with a modest debut of $12.6 million, according to studio estimates yesterday.
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Cowell looking for next viral moment

Former American Idol judge still hasn't found the third judge for debut of X Factor, a new Fox reality show

Simon Cowell wants to make sure he finds the most talented singer for the U.S. debut of The X Factor. That's why he's set up audition studios in Nashville, Tenn.; Anchorage, Alaska; Kansas City, Kan.; and Denver throughout April.

"It probably isn't as fun as attending an open audition, but it is your chance to be seen and heard and I'm going to try to put these in as many cities as possible," the former American Idol judge said Thursday in a teleconference.

Cowell will be joined on the judges' panel by Antonio "L.A." Reid, former chairman of Island Def Jam Music, when the show premieres in September.

The X Factor is based on Cowell's British-born hit series and debuting on Fox this fall. At stake is a US$5 million recording contract.

Those invited to the booths to sing must be at least 12 years old and can be solo artists or vocal groups. Each audition will be sent to the show's producers, and those selected will take part in callbacks.

The decision has not been made about who the third judge will be, but Cowell said that Black Eyed Peas singer Fergie has come up in discussions.

"Her name was put forward, but like with a lot of other people we've spoken to, we have to check out everyone's availability," he said. "There's a lot of time you have to put into this show. This is not a two-day-a-week process. When you're mentoring the contestants, you're working five, six days a week."

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▶ Simon Cowell

Cowell hopes his show will produce audition moments that go viral.

"You want a moment where something magical happens in the audition room, and then outside of people watching the show, they're interested in the clip, and I'm always very, very aware of that," he said.

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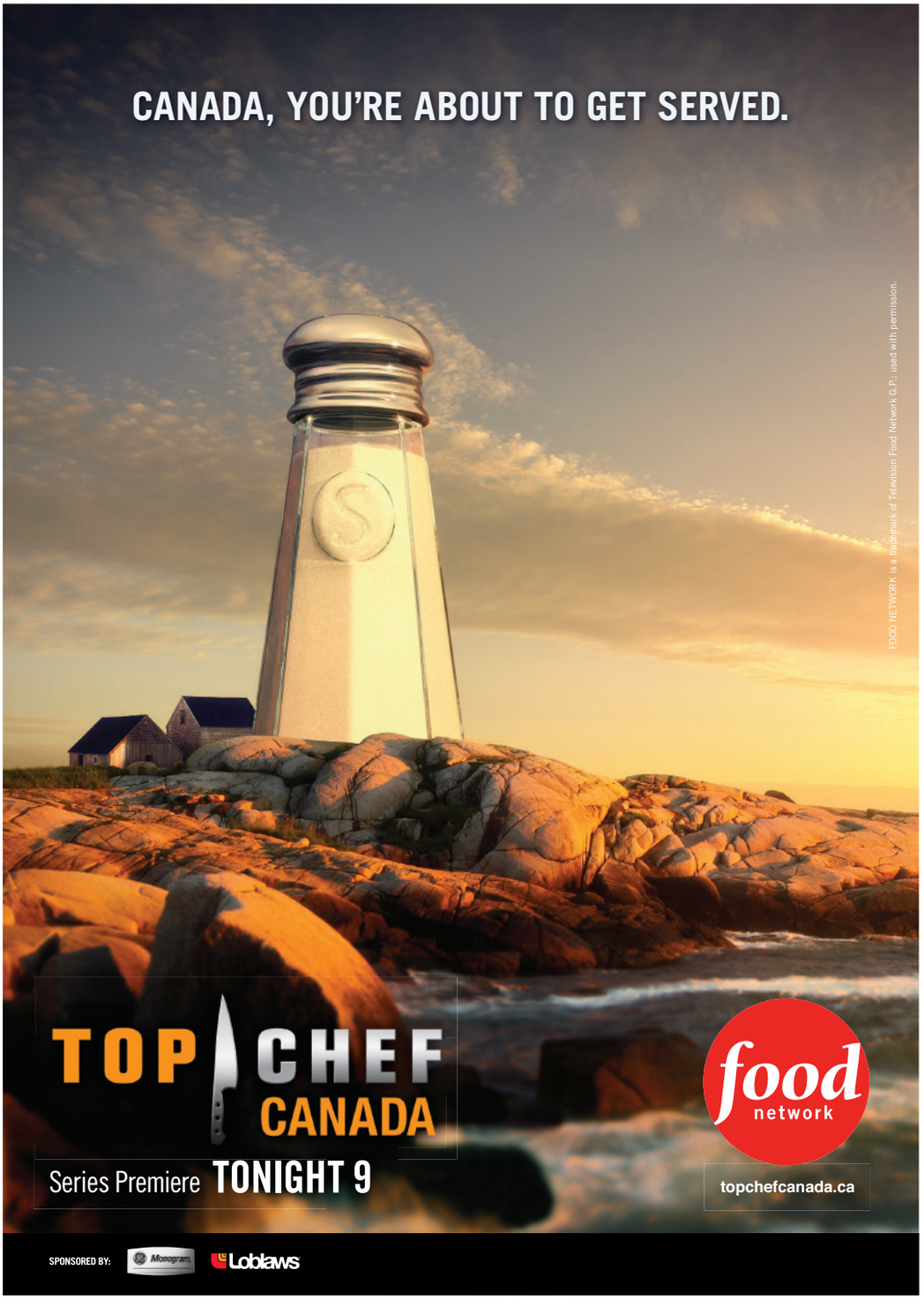

Seeking hidden treasure

New series Canadian Pickers scours the country for valuable antiques

Give professional "pickers" Scott Cozens and Sheldon Smithens a shed packed with discarded belongings and they say they can find the best flea-market prospects in 15 minutes.

The antiques duo says zeroing in on a lost treasure with money-making potential is second nature to them. They reveal their picking secrets in the new History Television series Canadian Pickers, starting Tuesday.

As hosts of the American Pickers spinoff, Smithens and Cozens drive across Canada to scour backyards, barns, sheds and attics in search of anything they can make a buck on. The Canadian Press spoke with them about the burgeoning antiques craze.

How long have you been pickers?

Cozens: I've been picking pretty much my whole life. I think my mum started me when I was eight or 10 years old going to garage sales and antique stores since she worked in the auctioning business, and my grandmother used to send me out when I was a little kid.

Smithens: I'm the same. I grew up with antiques and my parents and grandparents were in the auction trade and antiques trade.

And you guys both make a living as pickers?

Cozens: That would be fibbing a little bit. I actually work as a lawyer full-time and this is what I do in my spare time, which is reasonably spare.

Smithens: I do pretty much everything antiques and art-related. So I'm an auctioneer, I'm an appraiser, I have been a retailer, I buy and sell and do it all.

How is this show different from American Pickers?

Smithens: Right off the bat the merchandise is different. We're not going to walk into a barn full of old Harley-Davidsons, it just doesn't exist here. Or if it does, it's pretty rare. But we're finding other things that are much more Canadian and intrinsic to this part of the world.

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▶ For Canadian Pickers hosts Sheldon Smithens, left, and Scott Cozens, everything old is potentially gold.

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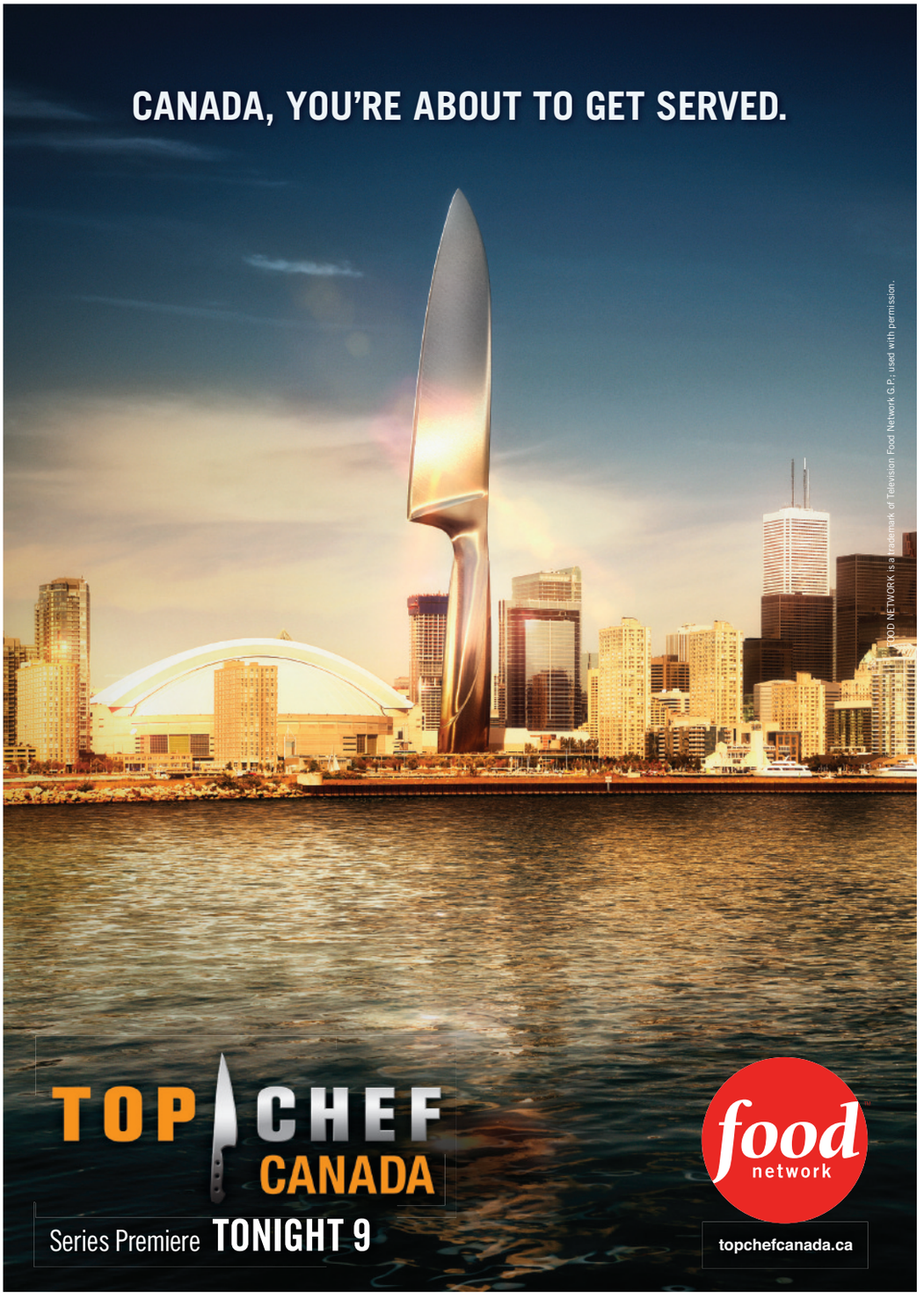

No Hangover for Neeson

After all the hubbub last year about Liam Neeson taking over for Mel Gibson for a humorous cameo in The Hangover 2, it now looks like Neeson himself won't be in the film.

Thanks to scheduling conflicts, Neeson was unavailable to do reshoots for the film and so director Todd Phillips was forced to recast the role once again, bringing in director Nick Cassavetes, he tells Variety.

"(Cassavetes) came in and crushed it, and that is the scene that you will ultimately see in the film," says Phillips. "It turned out great." METRO

▶ Liam Neeson

Richie fights back

Nicole Richie wants to make one thing clear: She is not expecting another child.

"Contrary to recent speculation, I am not pregnant," Richie says, according to People magazine. "This irresponsible reporting continues to feed an atmosphere of self-doubt and insecurity." METRO

Longoria had identity crisis after divorce

Actress calls split from Tony Parker 'heartbreaking'

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▶ Eva Longoria

Eva Longoria opened up for the first time about her divorce from Tony Parker, telling Piers Morgan about her initial reaction to the breakup.

"It was heartbreaking," Longoria says. "It was disappointing because I had such an identity in being Mrs. Parker and being a wife. And so, when that's taken away from you, you go, 'Who am I?' It was hard."

Still, Longoria refuses to trash-talk her ex-husband: "I would never speak ill about him or the time we had together," she says. "I really, really valued it. Seven years together is a long time." METRO

Celebrity tweets

@charliesheen
"Tweeting from the stage of The Palace Theater..! I love you Columbus!! Just keeps getting better!!"

@lindsaylohan
"Sorry @sohohouse i'm in bed reading scripts... maybe another time when its pleasant"

@SarahKSilverman
"Oh shivering girls in skimpy clothes, surely u can get someone to love you w/out being cold, no?"

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▶ What do you think they were discussing? The end of Inception maybe?

The talking twins

Recently, the world watched the viral video of twin baby boys having a conversation filled with 'da-das' instead of words What was happening? We asked Stephen Camarata, PhD and professor of hearing and speech sciences at Vanderbilt School of Medicine in Nashville

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In the YouTube video, it looks like the babies are having an actual conversation. But what are we witnessing?
Essentially, you are watching two toddlers using many conversational features, including intonation, turn taking, facial expression and gesture along with babbling. The babbling includes syllables and speech sounds that appear in regular words.

But they're not actual words?
At this age, few children have full knowledge of word meaning and grammatical markers, so this is not quite the same as an adult conversation.

A parallel might be for me and another person, neither of whom speaks Japanese, to have a pretend conversation in that language. We could mimic key features including bowing, Japanese intonation and could generally make the words sound like we were speaking Japanese. But there would be no specific meaning. That's the case with these twins.

Do the "da-das" stand for something?
Yes, as in the Japanese example, the da-das are fillers in the phrases they are saying. They are not random sounds, but word-like in their structure.

Does the fact that they're twins make a difference?
Yes, a twin — a "clone" in terms of DNA — is a great conversational match. They have the same genes, a lot of shared experiences, similar physical and mental maturity as well as a propensity for being interested in similar things. They are a good match for each other as a peer. The video speaks for itself in terms of the pure enjoyment they are having while speaking to each other.

"The da-das are fillers in the phrases they are saying. They are not random sounds, but word-like."
STEPHEN CAMARATA, PHD

The hand gestures — did they learn those by watching adults?
This is hard to know with certainty. I would hypothesize that these were indeed learned from watching adults. You can see in the video that they imitate each other, which leads one to believe they also imitate adults.

What should parents look for when their child starts to talk, so they know the kid is "on track?"
The video shows several key things to look for. The babble is speech-like, as if they are practicing words. They smile at each other and respond to vocalizations.

They point and look at what is being pointed to and they use gestures. They are socially engaged and show a general interest in each other and in mom — who evidently is filming. You can look at this video and say this is not at all like what we often see in toddlers with autism. Even with no specific words, it is clear that the twins are quite social in ways that children with autism are not.

Your next study should be about curing our addiction to YouTube baby videos. Are you available to help a world in need? I can't stop.
Actually, I would not be opposed to watching this kind of video often. All who watch are captivated by the happy, carefree toddlers having a grand ol' time. Worries about getting into the right preschool so I can get into the right primary and secondary so I can go to Cambridge or Oxford — that does not appear to be on the forefront of their minds! Who could watch this without it bringing a smile to their face?

3 life

Latest studies

Behaviourial interventions may be more effective than antipsychotic drugs when treating autism, according to Vanderbilt University. The medicine helps with hyperactivity and more, but not social skills.

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French countryside cuisine with a new twist

This recipe uses the classic flavours of Ratatouille Gratin & adds cheese

MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

▶ This Gratin dish takes one hour and 15 minutes to make (30 minutes active), and makes eight servings.

Ratatouille is a classic French country dish of vegetables cooked in their own juices until tender. Taking the same classic flavours, we layered the vegetables with cheese in a gratin-like dish.

If you can't find Comte cheese, Gruyere is a good substitute.

Ratatouille Gratin

Preparation:

1. Heat oven to 180 C (350 F).
2. In skillet over medium, heat olive oil. Add onions, garlic and bell pepper. Sauté for 10 or until tender.
3. Add basil, thyme, tomatoes, vinegar, salt and pepper. Bring to simmer and cook for 5 more minutes, stirring occasionally.
4. Spread a third of the tomato mix over bottom of a deep pie pan. Using a third of each vegetable, arrange one layer each of squash, zucchini and eggplant rounds over tomato mixture, alternating vegetables and overlapping slightly. Sprinkle 125 ml (1/2 cup) of the cheese over that. Repeat layering two more times, ending with cheese.
5. Bake for 45 minutes or until vegetables are tender when pierced with a knife. Increase heat to broil and cook for another 2 to 3 minutes to lightly brown the top of the Ratatouille Gratin.

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Ingredients:

- 30 ml (2 tbsp) olive oil
- 2 yellow onions, sliced
- 3 cloves garlic, chopped
- 1 red bell pepper, cored and sliced
- 125 ml (1/2 cup) packed fresh basil leaves, chopped
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) chopped fresh thyme
- 1 can (398 ml/14 oz) chopped tomatoes, drained
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) red wine vinegar
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) salt
- 2 ml (1/2 tsp) ground black pepper
- 2 small summer squash, small zucchini, Japanese eggplants, sliced into thin rounds
- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) comte cheese

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Judging the weight of waste

If you feel some stats on waste are tricky learn the smart way to know the weight of supermarket packaging

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Every year, millions of tonnes of supermarket packaging goes straight to the landfill, putting a burden on our environment and adding to our carbon footprint.

But reading these massive numbers in wasteful packaging can be hard to digest. Oliver Bourne, a 23-year-old London-based graphic designer, created a novel way to physically show, and feel, the amount of plastic wrappers and paper coverings wasted from a single trip to the supermarket.

It's a receipt as heavy as all that packaging waste put together.

When and how did you create this shopping receipt made from lead?

I made it when I was studying graphic design.

I crafted the item from a piece of scrap lead and cut it so it would weigh approximately three kilograms. In the workshop I made a cast of a receipt out of metal. The lead was then melted into the cast.

To obtain the exact weight I had to trim material. The text was screen printed on to the metal receipt.

What was your main inspiration behind it?

What first inspired me was one day I realized my green bin for recycling waste filled up very quickly and it was mostly from packaging from food products. Also, as a former employee at a supermarket, I knew how packaging was simply thrown away. So, when it came to creating this lead receipt, I just wanted to highlight this problem by designing something that would be thought-provoking.

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Rogers TV Toronto Volunteers: From left to right - John Hong, Marg Chamberlin (standing), Alexa Soza (kneeling), Alicia Daniel (kneeling), Davis Appadu, Allen Legacy

ROGERS TV HAS BEEN SUPPORTING COMMUNITY-BASED VOLUNTEERISM FOR MORE THAN 30 YEARS

Since the late 1960s, Rogers TV has been putting volunteers to work at its various community cable-television stations. So who are these volunteers? Some are high school, college or university students who are completing co-op courses and would like to work in the television industry after they graduate. Others are retired members of the community who have skills and experience they feel will benefit the stations and who enjoy the social interaction and intellectual stimulation this type of volunteering offers.

Bruce Matheson, the Ottawa-based general manager of Rogers TV, says the variety and cross-section of volunteers is an asset. "Some volunteers have been at a particular station for years," he says. "They know their way around, and they can help train and supervise the new recruits."

Approximately 50 per cent of the Rogers TV staff members at its Ontario, New Brunswick and Newfoundland locations were, at one time or another, volunteers with the community stations. More than 2,000 people are currently involved with Rogers TV stations as active volunteers.

Matheson says that when hiring staff members, potential new employees are asked about their interest in working with volunteers. "It's a big responsibility to be a mentor and a teacher, and it does take some of an employee's time," says Matheson. "But after the training period is over, the volunteer becomes a key member of the production team. We couldn't do what we do without the volunteers' involvement and contributions."

For their part, volunteers gain important skills and experience. They could end up helping produce a magazine show, a studio open-line program, a charity telethon or a hockey game, where they'll find themselves placing microphones, operating cameras, editing footage and presenting stories on-air.

"Many volunteers want to direct," says Matheson. For those with lofty aspirations such as that, or others who are simply interested in learning the ropes for personal interest rather than to fulfill career goals, these positions can be hard to come by. Depending on the location, time of year and scheduling, there can be waiting lists to get involved in specific advanced roles within the production team.

Regardless of who the volunteers are and why they've signed up, Rogers TV staff is committed to training and coaching them for as long as they want to stay, whether they're at Toronto's Cable 10, Ottawa's Cable 22, St. John's Cable 9 or any of the other affiliate stations. "Our staff members get a rewarding teaching experience, as well as a helping hand," says Matheson. "This program benefits everyone."

Rogers TV Ottawa OHL Volunteer crew members: Back row left to right: Felicity Marion, Max Waller, Middle: Cayce Lubrun & Sarah Boteler, Front: Shayne Branigan, Jon Harbic & Pedro Koscheck

Sami Kholreibi has had a mind for business from a young age.

Turning Point

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HE'S GOT THE POWER – THE SOLAR POWER

At the age of six, Sami Kholreibi was selling lemonade by the glass and peddling gently used books to his neighbours. When he was eight, he helped design an automated feather duster.

Kholreibi was always an aspiring entrepreneur but it was when he got to London, Ont. that he really began to soar. Within six months of graduating from the University of Western Ontario, Kholreibi and three partners started Camdex Energy, an oil and gas company based in Toronto.

"I spent a lot of time travelling, especially in the Middle East," he says. He learned about the Masdar Initiative and its goal to make Abu Dhabi an epicenter in renewable energies.

"I had an entrepreneurial eureka moment."

Enviromena Power Systems was formed in 2007 and is now on its way to becoming the largest solar energy company in the Middle East and North Africa.

Sami is once again soaring but admits any business venture can be a roller-coaster ride of ups and downs.

"You can't let them impact you or the positive attitude required to be a successful entrepreneur."

Entrepreneurial advice from Sami

- Dive into the deep end.
- Take advice from those you trust.
- Be willing to share the pie with people who can add value.
- Be prepared for ups and downs.

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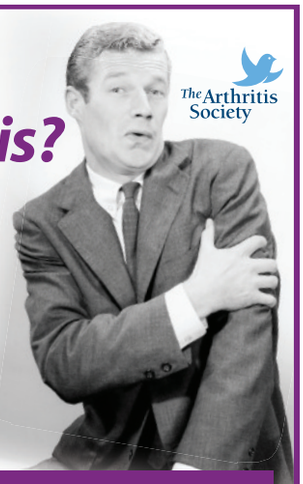
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Sports in brief

1 Charl Schwartzel closed with four straight birdies to win the Masters by two strokes Augusta National.

2 The Florida Panthers fired head coach Peter DeBoer yesterday.

3 The Chicago Blackhawks are back in the playoffs after the Stars lost to the Wild.

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Jays get KO'd

- Jered Weaver strikes out career-high 15 in Angels' 3-1 victory
- Vernon Wells was 1-for-13 with one RBI in his first series against Jays

STEPHEN DUNN/GETTY IMAGES

▶ Jered Weaver throws a pitch yesterday against the Blue Jays.

Jered Weaver struck out a career-high 15 and the Los Angeles Angels took advantage of a costly error by Toronto centre-fielder Rajai Davis to beat the Blue Jays 3-1 yesterday.

Weaver allowed four hits in 7⅔ innings and Peter Bourjos tripled home a pair of unearned runs to help the Angels take two of three in the series.

In the eighth, it came down to a showdown between Weaver and Jose Bautista, last year's major league home run leader.

3	1
ANGELS	BLUE JAYS

Bautista represented the go-ahead run at the plate after a pair of one-out walks, but Weaver struck him out with his 125th and final pitch.

Hisanori Takahashi came in to retire cleanup hitter Adam Lind on a comebacker and Fernando Rodney pitched a perfect ninth for his second save.

Weaver became the first Angels pitcher with 15 strikeouts in a game since May 23, 1995, when lefthander Chuck Finley fanned 15 Yankees and pitched a two-hitter in a 10-0 win at the Big A.

Angels manager Mike Scioscia used all seven relievers for the second time in four games Saturday night and was forced to bring in starter Dan Haren to finish the 14-inning, 6-5 victory. So the Angels needed Weaver (3-0) to pitch deep into the game in his first home start of the season.

The right-hander fanned seven of his first 10 batters. Weaver beat the Blue Jays for the fifth straight time, improving to 7-1 against them with a 2.68 earned-run average.

The Blue Jays had no hits and two walks through the first 4⅓ innings before Travis Snider beat out an infield single to the right of second base.

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Young Raps step up in victory

Jerryd Bayless scored 19 points to lead an undermanned Raptor squad to a 99-92 victory over the New Jersey Nets yesterday.

With just two games left on another season without a post-season appearance, and with numerous key players out with injuries, Raptors coach Jay Triano said one of the few positives down the stretch is the growth of his young players.

Bayless is just 22 years old. DeMar DeRozan and Ed Davis, both 21 years old, and James Johnson (24) added 18 points apiece for the Raptors (22-58).

"Guys get a chance to make mistakes and still stay on the floor, and I think that when you have that opportunity, you play through your mistakes and you have to change your mindset during games when things aren't going well," Triano said. "There's a positive in this for the guys who are healthy for sure." THE CANADIAN PRESS

RAPTORS	BUCKS

▶ **Time:** 8 p.m.
TV: TSN
Radio: FAN 590

Milwaukee (33-47) did something Toronto couldn't, and that was beat the Cleveland Cavaliers. The Bucks earned a 108-101 victory over the Cavs Saturday night. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
z-Washington	82	48	23	5	6	224	197	107	25-8-2-6	23-15-3-0	7-2-0-1	L1
y-Philadelphia	82	47	23	5	7	259	223	106	22-12-2-5	25-11-3-2	3-4-1-2	W1
y-Boston	82	46	25	5	6	246	195	103	22-13-3-3	24-12-2-3	6-3-0-1	L1
x-Pittsburgh	82	49	25	5	3	234	201	106	25-14-2-0	24-11-3-3	8-2-0-0	W4
x-Tampa Bay	82	46	25	5	6	247	240	103	25-11-1-4	21-14-4-2	7-3-0-0	W2
x-Montreal	82	44	30	5	3	216	209	96	24-11-3-3	20-19-2-0	5-4-1-0	W1
x-Buffalo	82	43	29	9	1	245	229	96	21-16-3-1	22-13-6-0	8-1-1-0	W4
x-NY Rangers	82	44	33	2	3	233	198	93	20-17-1-3	24-16-1-0	6-3-0-1	W1
Carolina	82	40	31	6	5	236	239	91	22-14-3-2	18-17-3-3	7-2-1-0	L1
Toronto	82	37	34	5	6	218	251	85	18-15-3-5	19-19-2-1	6-3-0-1	L3
New Jersey	82	38	39	3	2	174	209	81	22-16-2-1	16-23-0-2	4-5-0-1	W1
Atlanta	82	34	36	5	7	223	269	80	17-17-2-5	17-19-3-2	4-6-0-0	L2
Ottawa	82	32	40	5	5	192	250	74	16-20-2-3	16-20-3-2	5-4-0-1	L1
NY Islanders	82	30	39	7	6	229	264	73	17-18-1-5	13-21-6-1	3-6-0-1	L4
Florida	82	30	40	5	7	195	229	72	16-17-4-4	14-23-2-2	1-7-0-2	W1

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	L	OTL	SL	GF	GA	Pts	Home	Away	Last 10	Strk
p-Vancouver	82	54	19	4	5	262	185	117	27-9-1-4	27-10-3-1	7-3-0-0	W2
y-San Jose	82	48	25	4	5	248	213	105	25-11-2-3	23-14-2-2	8-1-0-1	W1
y-Detroit	82	47	25	6	4	261	241	104	21-14-4-2	26-11-2-2	4-4-2-0	W1
x-Anaheim	82	47	30	3	2	239	235	99	26-13-1-1	21-17-2-1	7-3-0-0	W3
x-Nashville	82	44	27	7	4	219	194	99	24-9-5-3	20-18-2-1	7-2-1-0	L1
x-Phoenix	82	43	26	7	6	231	226	99	21-13-4-3	22-13-3-3	6-3-0-1	L1
x-Los Angeles	82	46	30	4	2	219	198	98	25-13-3-0	21-17-1-2	6-4-0-0	L2
x-Chicago	82	44	29	4	5	258	225	97	24-17-0-0	20-12-5-4	5-4-1-0	L1
Dallas	82	42	29	4	7	227	233	95	22-11-3-5	20-18-1-2	4-4-2-0	L1
Calgary	82	41	29	5	7	250	237	94	23-13-2-3	18-16-3-4	4-3-2-1	L1
St. Louis	82	38	33	5	6	240	234	87	23-13-1-4	15-20-4-2	6-2-1-1	W1
Minnesota	82	39	35	3	5	206	233	86	19-17-2-3	20-18-1-2	4-6-0-0	W2
Columbus	82	34	35	5	8	215	258	81	17-19-1-4	17-16-4-4	1-6-1-2	L6
Colorado	82	30	44	7	1	227	288	68	16-21-4-0	14-23-3-1	2-8-0-0	W1
Edmonton	82	25	45	3	9	193	269	62	13-22-1-5	12-23-3-3	2-6-1-1	L3

d — division leaders ranked 1-2-3 regardless of points; a team winning in overtime or shootout is credited with two points and a victory in the W column; the team losing in overtime or shootout receives one point which is registered in the OTL (overtime loss) or SL (shootout loss) column.

Yesterday's results
Colorado 4 Edmonton 3 (OT)
Detroit 4 Chicago 3
Minnesota 5 Dallas 3
New Jersey 3 Boston 2
Pittsburgh 5 Atlanta 2
Saturday's results
Montreal 4 Toronto 1
Vancouver 3 Calgary 2 (OT)
Boston 3 Ottawa 1
Anaheim 3 Los Angeles 1
Buffalo 5 Columbus 4
Florida 1 Washington 0
N.Y. Rangers 5 New Jersey 2
Philadelphia 7 N.Y. Islanders 4
San Jose 3 Phoenix 1
St. Louis 2 Nashville 0
Tampa Bay 6 Carolina 2

END OF 2010-11 REGULAR SEASON

AVALANCHE 4, OILERS 3 (OT)

First Period
1. Edmonton, Hartikainen 3 (Omark, Foster) 1:26 (pp)
2. Colorado, O'Reilly 13 (D.Jones, Winnik) 4:24
3. Colorado, Dupuis 6, 5:14
Penalties — Olver Col (interference) 0:25, VandeVelde Edm (hooking) 7:02.
Second Period
4. Edmonton, Foster 8 (Paajarvi, Omark) 5:08 (pp)
5. Edmonton, Reddox 1 (O'Marra) 12:28
Penalties — Duchene Col (tripping) 4:56, O'Marra Edm (tripping) 13:15, Peckham Edm (elbowing, fighting; served by MacIntyre), Wilson Col (fighting) 19:09.
Third Period
6. Colorado, Hejduk 22 (Duchene, D.Jones) 0:30 (pp)
Penalty — Foster Edm (hooking) 8:13.
Overtime
7. Colorado, D.Jones 27 (Duchene, Hejduk) 3:57 (pp)
Penalty — Reddox Edm (tripping) 3:11.
Shots

Edmonton	6	10	9	3—28
Colorado	12	4	4	5—25

Goal — Edmonton: Khabibulin (L,10-32-4); Colorado: Budaj (W,15-21-4). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Edmonton: 2-2; Colorado: 2-5. **Referees** — Ghislain Hebert, Mike Leggo. **Linesmen** — Lonnie Cameron, Ryan Galloway. **Attendance** — 17,566 (18,007).

PLAYOFFS

CONFERENCE QUARTER-FINALS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Washington (1) vs. N.Y. Rangers (8)
Schedule TBA
Philadelphia (2) vs. Buffalo (7)
Schedule TBA
Boston (3) vs. Montreal (6)
Schedule TBA
Pittsburgh (4) vs. Tampa Bay (5)
Schedule TBA

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Vancouver (1) vs. Chicago/Dallas
Schedule TBA
San Jose (2) vs. Los Angeles (7)
Schedule TBA
Detroit (3) vs. Phoenix (6)
Schedule TBA
Anaheim (4) vs. Nashville (5)
Schedule TBA

SOCCER

ENGLAND

PREMIER LEAGUE
Aston Villa 1 Newcastle 0
Blackpool 1 Arsenal 3

ITALY

SERIE A
Bari 1 Catania 1
Bologna 0 Napoli 2
Cagliari 1 Brescia 1
Fiorentina 1 AC Milan 2
Juventus 3 Genoa 2
Lazio 2 Parma 0
Palermo 2 Cesena 2
Sampdoria 1 Lecce 2

SPAIN

LA LIGA
Atletico Madrid 3 Real Sociedad 0
Hercules 0 Espanyol 0
Malaga 0 Deportivo La Coruna 0
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Valencia 5 Villarreal 0

MLS

Last night's result
Houston 3 Vancouver 1
Saturday's results
Toronto 1 San Jose 1
Columbus 0 Chivas USA 0
D.C. United 1 Los Angeles 1
Philadelphia 1 New York 0
Real Salt Lake 2 New England 0
Seattle 2 Chicago 1
Wednesday's games
Los Angeles at Toronto, 8 p.m.
Colorado at Real Salt Lake, 9 p.m.

TENNIS

ATP MONTE CARLO MASTERS
At Monte Carlo, Monaco
Singles — First Round
Ernests Gulbis, Latvia, def. Alexandr Dolgopolov (14), Ukraine, 6-1, 6-4.
Milos Raonic, Thornhill, Ont., def. Michael Llodra, France, 6-3, 0-6, 6-0.
Ivan Ljubicic, Croatia, def. Jeremy Chardy, France, 6-1, 6-2.
Philipp Kohlschreiber, Germany, def. Andrey Golubev, Kazakhstan, 5-7, 7-6 (6), 6-4.

ATP GRAND PRIX HASSAN II
At Casablanca, Morocco
Singles — Championship
Pablo Andujar, Spain, def. Potito Starace (5), Italy, 6-1, 6-2.

ATP U.S. CLAY COURT CHAMPIONSHIPS
At Houston
Singles — Championship
Ryan Sweeting, U.S., def. Kei Nishikori (6), Japan, 6-4, 7-6 (3).

WTA FAMILY CIRCLE CUP
At Charleston, S.C.
Singles — Championship
Caroline Wozniacki (1), Denmark, def. Elena Vesnina, Russia, 6-2, 6-3.

WTA ANDALUCIA TENNIS EXPERIENCE
At Marbella, Spain
Singles — Championship
Victoria Azarenka (1), Belarus, def. Irina-Camelia Begu, Romania, 6-3, 6-2.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Chicago	60	20	.750	—
y-Miami	56	24	.700	4
y-Boston	55	25	.688	5
x-Orlando	50	30	.625	10
x-Atlanta	44	36	.550	16
x-New York	42	38	.525	18
x-Philadelphia	41	39	.513	19
x-Indiana	37	44	.457	23½
Milwaukee	33	47	.413	27
Charlotte	32	48	.400	28
Detroit	29	51	.363	31
New Jersey	24	56	.300	36
Washington	22	58	.275	38
Toronto	22	58	.275	38
Cleveland	17	63	.213	43

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-San Antonio	61	19	.763	—
y-L.A. Lakers	55	24	.696	5½
x-Dallas	55	25	.688	6
y-Oklahoma City	53	26	.671	7½
x-Denver	49	31	.613	12
x-Portland	47	33	.588	14
x-New Orleans	46	34	.575	15
x-Memphis	46	34	.575	15
Houston	42	38	.525	19
Phoenix	38	42	.475	23
Utah	37	43	.463	24
Golden State	35	44	.443	25½
L.A. Clippers	31	50	.383	30½
Sacramento	23	56	.291	37½
Minnesota	17	63	.213	44

x-clinched playoff spot; **y**-clinched division
z-clinched conference
Yesterday's results
Chicago 102, Orlando 99
Miami 100, Boston 77
Memphis 111, New Orleans 89
Detroit 112, Charlotte 101
Toronto 99, New Jersey 92
New York 110, Indiana 109
Dallas 115, Phoenix 90
Sacramento at Golden State
Oklahoma City at L.A. Lakers
Saturday's results
Washington 115 Atlanta 83
Houston 99 L.A. Clippers 78
Milwaukee 108 Cleveland 101
San Antonio 111 Utah 102
Denver 130 Minnesota 106
Tonight's games
Miami at Atlanta, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Orlando at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Boston at Washington, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Utah at New Orleans, 8 p.m.
Dallas at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at Denver, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Oklahoma City at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Tomorrow's games
Chicago at New York, 8 p.m.
Memphis at Portland, 10 p.m.
San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

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Yesterday's results
Championship
Canada (Stoughton) 6 Scotland (Brewster) 5
Third Place
Sweden (Edin) 7 Norway (Ulsrud) 6
Saturday's results
Page Playoffs
Three vs. Four
Norway (Ulsrud) 7 Sweden (Edin) 2
Semifinal
Scotland (Brewster) 7 Norway (Ulsrud) 6 (extra end)

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EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	6	3	.667	—
New York	5	3	.625	½
Toronto	5	4	.556	1
Boston	1	7	.125	4½
Tampa Bay	1	8	.111	5

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	7	2	.778	—
Chicago	6	3	.667	1
Kansas City	6	3	.667	1
Detroit	3	6	.333	4
Minnesota	3	6	.333	4

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	8	1	.889	—
Los Angeles	5	4	.556	3
Oakland	4	5	.444	4
Seattle	2	7	.222	6

Yesterday's results
Kansas City 9 Detroit 5
Texas 3 Baltimore 0
Oakland 5 Minnesota 3
Chicago White Sox 6 Tampa Bay 1
L.A. Angels 3 Toronto 1
Cleveland 6 Seattle 4
N.Y. Yankees at Boston
Saturday's results
N.Y. Yankees 9 Boston 4
Kansas City 3 Detroit 1
Chicago White Sox 4 Tampa Bay 2
Baltimore 5-1 Texas 0-13
Oakland 1 Minnesota 0
L.A. Angels 6 Toronto 5 (14 inn.)
Cleveland 2 Seattle 1
Today's games
Texas (Ogando 1-0) at Detroit (Verlander 1-0), 1:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Hellickson 0-1) at Boston (Matsuzaka 0-1), 7:10 p.m.
Oakland (Braden 0-1) at Chicago White Sox (Buehrle 1-0), 8:10 p.m.
Cleveland (Talbot 0-0) at L.A. Angels (Undecided), 10:05 p.m.
Toronto (Litsch 1-0) at Seattle (F.Hernandez 1-1), 10:10 p.m.

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Toronto	ab	r	h	bi	Los Angeles	ab	r	h	bi
RDavis cf	2	0	0	0	Bourjos cf	4	0	1	2
JMcDnl 3b	1	0	1	0	HKndrc 2b	2	1	0	0
YEscor ss	2	0	1	1	Abreu rf	4	0	1	0
Bautist rf	3	0	0	0	TrHntr dh	3	0	1	1
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A.Hill 2b	4	0	0	0	Callasp 3b	3	1	1	0
JRiver dh	4	0	0	0	Trumo 1b	4	1	1	0
Snider lf-cf	4	0	1	0	BoWlsn c	3	0	0	0
J.Nix 3b-lf	3	0	0	0	B.Wood ss	3	0	1	0
JMolin c	3	1	1	0					
Totals	**30**	**1**	**4**	**1**	**Totals**	**30**	**3**	**6**	**3**
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Los Angeles					**100 200 00x**		**3**		

E—R.Davis (1). DP—Toronto 1. LOB—Toronto 6, Los Angeles 7. 2B—J.Molina (1). 3B—Bourjos (1).

Toronto	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Jo-.Reyes L,0-1	7	6	3	1	1	6
Purcey	2-3	0	0	0	2	0
Richmond	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles						
Weaver W,3-0	7 2-3	4	1	1	4	15
Takahashi H,2	1-3	0	0	0	0	0
Rodney S,2-3	1	0	0	0	0	1

T—2:48. A—43,525 (45,389).

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EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	7	2	.778	—
Florida	5	4	.556	2
New York	4	5	.444	3
Washington	4	5	.444	3
Atlanta	4	6	.400	3½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	6	3	.667	—
Milwaukee	5	5	.500	1½
Pittsburgh	5	5	.500	1½
Chicago	4	5	.444	2
St. Louis	3	6	.333	3
Houston	2	7	.222	4

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Colorado	6	2	.750	—
Los Angeles	5	4	.556	1½
Arizona	4	4	.500	2
San Diego	4	4	.500	2
San Francisco	4	5	.444	2½

Yesterday's results
Washington 7 N.Y. Mets 3, 11 innings
Colorado 6 Pittsburgh 5
Philadelphia 3 Atlanta 0
Houston 7 Florida 1
Milwaukee 6 Chicago Cubs 5
San Diego 7 L.A. Dodgers 2
St. Louis 6 San Francisco 1
Arizona 10 Cincinnati 8
Saturday's results
Philadelphia 10 Atlanta 2
L.A. Dodgers 4 San Diego 2 (11 inn., comp. of susp. game)
Colorado 6 Pittsburgh 4
Florida 7 Houston 5
Milwaukee 6 Chicago Cubs 0
N.Y. Mets 8 Washington 4
Cincinnati 6 Arizona 1
L.A. Dodgers 4 San Diego 0
San Francisco 3 St. Louis 2
Tonight's games
Colorado (Hammel 1-0) at N.Y. Mets (Pelfrey 0-1), 7:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Dempster 0-2) at Houston (Figueroa 0-1), 8:05 p.m.
St. Louis (McClellan 0-0) at Arizona (Enright 0-0), 9:40 p.m.
Cincinnati (Volquez 1-0) at San Diego (Latos 0-0), 10:05 p.m.
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Geoff Ogilvy, $330,667	69-69-73-67—278
Luke Donald, $330,667	72-68-69-69—278
Angel Cabrera, $268,000	71-70-67-71—279
Bo Van Pelt, $240,000	73-69-68-70—280
K.J. Choi, $240,000	67-70-71-72—280
Ryan Palmer, $216,000	71-72-69-70—282
Justin Rose, $176,000	73-71-71-68—283
Steve Stricker, $76,000	72-70-71-70—283
Lee Westwood, $176,000	72-67-74-70—283
Edoardo Molinari, $176,000	74-70-69-70—283
Trevor Immelman, $128,000	72-69-73-69—284
Brandt Snedeker, $128,000	69-71-74-70—284
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▶ James Reimer reacts at the final buzzer Saturday as his team loses its last game of the season, 4-1 to Montreal.

Blue streaks

Four wins to open the season and a post-break surge weren't enough for the Leafs to make up for their struggles in-between

There was a subdued tone to the end of the Toronto Maple Leafs' sixth consecutive season out of the playoffs Saturday night, with more than half the fans already headed for the exits by the time the Montreal Canadiens completed their 4-1 win. As good as the team played after the all-star break — finishing 18-9-6 — it still ended up seven points out of a playoff spot.

"I feel like we took some steps this year in the right direction," said Leafs forward Clarke MacArthur. "We don't want to be a team on the bubble next year ... and for that to happen we have to be more consistent and I thought we showed that in the second half."

Before losing their last two games of the season against the New Jersey Devils and Montreal, the Leafs hadn't lost two in a row in regulation since before the all-star break (when they lost three in a row Jan. 22, 24 and 25).

"October, November, December — those are critical months for us and we did not produce."
LEAFS GM BRIAN BURKE

A big part of that was the play of rookie goaltender James Reimer, who got his first start Jan. 1.

Reimer had 20 wins on the season, tied for seventh overall in Leaf history for most wins by a first-year goalie. His save percentage (.921) is the best single-season save percentage in team history in the 30 years since the stat has been recorded.

Ed Belfour had a .920 season.

But, in the end, the Leafs simply couldn't overcome a woeful stretch early in the season when, after winning their first four games, they had only nine wins in their next 32 contests.

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A LOOK BACK

- Leafs win
- Leafs lose
- Leafs lose in OT

Oct. 7: The Leafs grab a quick 2-0 lead and never look back as they beat Montreal 3-2 to open the season. "This is money in the bank for us when we hit hard times," coach Ron Wilson says after his team wins the next three games.

Nov. 2: Captain Dion Phaneuf suffers a cut to his left leg that keeps him out of action for more than a month.

Nov. 16: With 13 minutes left in a 5-4 win over Nashville, starting goalie J.S. Giguere heads to the bench with a pulled groin, an injury that will have him in and out of the lineup for the next three months.

Dec 20: The Leafs lose 6-3 to Atlanta, their third loss in a row. During the game a fan throws waffles onto the ice in protest and is banned from the arena.

Jan. 1: After two weeks of backing up Jonas Gustavsson, James Reimer makes his first NHL start in a 5-1 win over Ottawa.

Jan. 19 : The Leafs are beaten by the Rangers 7-0, their most one-sided loss of the season.

Jan. 25: The Leafs lose 2-0 to Tampa Bay, giving them a 19-25-5 record at the all-star break.

Feb. 15: Phil Kessel scores twice in a 4-3 win over Boston to end his 14-game goal-less drought.

Feb. 19: First game since trading Tomas Kaberle to Boston. Leafs lose 1-0 to Ottawa in a shootout.

March 3: The Leafs beat Philadelphia 3-2, despite former teammate Kris Versteeg scoring twice for the Flyers. The win keeps Toronto four points back of Carolina for the last playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

April 5: The Leafs lose a must-win game against Washington 3-2 in a shootout. They enter overtime knowing they have already been eliminated after Buffalo beat Tampa Bay.

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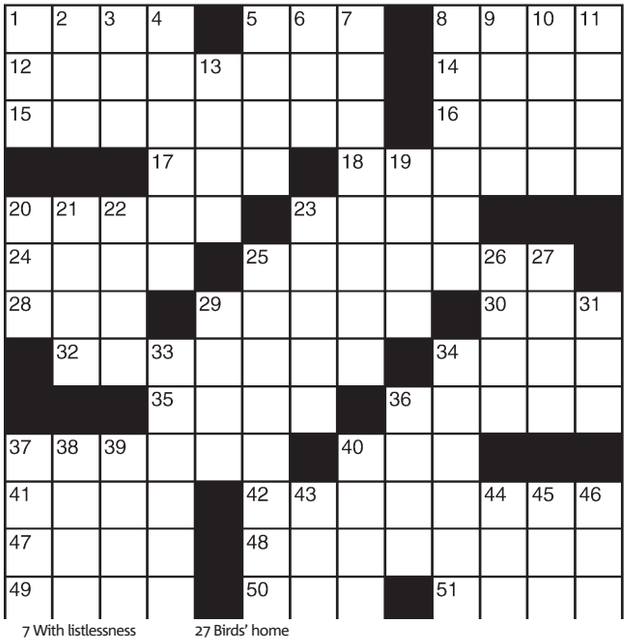

Across

1 Slightly open
5 On in years
8 Venomous vipers
12 Piranha, for one
14 Road Runner's noise
15 French menu phrase
16 Exposed
17 "— Gratia Artis" (motto of MGM)
18 Very, very tiny
20 — -Saxon
23 Superdry, as champagne
24 Swimming venue
25 Bush successor ... and vice versa
28 Mess up
29 Football coaching legend Don
30 — Moines
32 Whodunit
34 Lion's share
35 Piano array
36 Two score
37 Dig up
40 Help
41 Press
42 Freeway sign
47 File's partner
48 Inventor of basketball
49 Potato buds
50 Hosp. sections
51 Location

Down

1 Pump up the volume
2 Pickle container
3 Blackbird
4 Drugstore chain begun in 1902
5 Elevator name
6 Superman foe Luthor
7 With listlessness
8 Costello's partner
9 Fashion line?
10 "Frasier" actress Gilpin
11 Detail, for short
13 Frizzy hairstyle
19 Albacore, e.g.
20 Gorilla
21 Standard
22 Not for the faint of heart
23 Unclear images
25 Capital of Wyoming
26 33-Down's protection
27 Birds' home
29 Goblet part
31 Pigpen
33 Black-and-white kin of weasels
34 PC peripherals
36 Isn't too tight or too loose
37 Ireland
38 Inside picture?
39 Sharpen
40 Line of symmetry
43 Listener
44 Twelve
45 Addams cousin
046 Definite article

▶ Yesterday's answer

E	M	S		D	A	Z	E		X	R	A	Y
B	O	O		R	U	I	N		A	I	D	A
B	O	Y	C	O	T	T	S		N	E	A	P
		B	R	I	O			B	A	L	M	S
C	L	E	A	T		S	P	U	D			
R	O	A	M		C	E	L	L	U	L	A	R
U	R	N		D	O	W	E	L		O	B	I
D	E	S	T	I	N	E	D		D	Y	E	S
			U	S	E	R		O	R	A	T	E
C	L	E	R	K			D	U	A	L		
L	I	M	B		J	O	Y	S	T	I	C	K
A	R	I	A		A	N	N	E		S	H	E
W	A	R	N		R	E	E	L		T	I	N

Sudoku

	8		2		9		5	
		6	1		5	3		
7								1
		4		9		2		
8								5
		1		4		6		
5								4
		8	6		3	7		
	2		7		4		8	

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

2	3	7	8	4	5	1	9	6
9	4	1	2	6	3	5	8	7
5	6	8	1	9	7	2	3	4
8	7	2	3	5	1	6	4	9
6	1	5	4	7	9	8	2	3
3	9	4	6	8	2	7	5	1
4	5	9	7	1	8	3	6	2
1	8	3	9	2	6	4	7	5
7	2	6	5	3	4	9	1	8

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Lori, I just want to let you know that you are everything to me and I love you so much, i am so sorry for the things that i have done and i hope that we could be the way we were before. i miss you so much and love you more than ever. **BABY.**

AH, The times that we have spent together will always cherish my memory. Thanks for everything! Plus, give your best shot to everything. develop self-confidence & success will be at your doorstep. don't worry! - **A SINCERE FRIEND.**

I looked through a window and found you. You have captured my heart for ever, my darling. **YOUR LOLO**

Erin, I luff you infinity. Enough Said.
MEG

Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 Watch your back as the week begins, don't let rivals creep up on you.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 Unless it really is a sure thing give what others are proposing a miss, for now.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Put your heart and soul into what you are doing. Make sure you are the very best. Be brilliant.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 A work colleague seems to have it in for you and you don't have the faintest idea why.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 If you get the chance to go somewhere different today you must take it.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Listen to what your conscience tells you, then act on it. Your heart knows the way to go.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Give partners and loved ones room to be themselves.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 No matter how irritating certain people may be you must not let them get under your skin.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Fate is sending good things your way, so make the most of them.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Live in the moment and make each moment special.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Make sure you don't shout at the wrong person today.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. You may be generous by nature but that does not mean you have to give it all away.

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